

APPENDIX

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claims 1-21 (Canceled).

Please add new Claims 22 and 23 as follows:

Claim 22 (New): A method for reducing shedding of *E. coli* O157:H7 in an animal which comprises administering to the animal a vaccine composition which comprises an immunogenically active component comprising inactivated or killed whole *E. coli* O157:H7, an antigen prepared from an O-specific polysaccharide of *E. coli* O157:H7 or a mixture thereof; a metabolizable oil adjuvant; and optionally a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

Claim 23 (New): The method according to Claim 22 which further comprises administering a *Lactobacillus acidophilus* or neomycin medicated feed supplement to the animal.

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